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SYNOPSES OF "TEN SCARS MAKE A MAN"

CHAPTER ONE

Jean and Rita Morell are owners of a ranch in the Valley of the Legend, granted a knightly ancester by the King of Spain. This ancestor distinguished himself by receiving ten wounds in defense of a lady, and from this incident came the family motto of "Ten Scars Make a Man." In this Southern California valley is said to be buried Aztec treasure, but none has ever been found. The ranch of Jean and Rita, attending school in the East, is managed by Luther Caudle, distrusted by Henry O'Day, guardian of the sisters and owner of the adjoining ranch.

O'Day, Venable and a mysterious Mexican are partners to a strange compact, and O'Day is being persecuted by Venable, aided by Caudle. O'Day sends his son Jack to attend the girls' graduation and bring them home.

Jack loves Rita, who says she will not marry him until he wins ten scars.

Rita is flirting clandestinely with Lenard, an unscrupulous fencing master. She risks expulsion to meet him on the campus after hours. Jack hears a girl crying for help and rushes to the rescue. He is attacked by Lenard's hirelings.

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